## Town of Taylor Minutes of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen Regular Monthly Meeting on May 5, 2015

Be it remembered that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Taylor, Mississippi, met in a Regular Meeting at the Town Hall on this the first Tuesday, the fifth day of May, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., with the following officers and members present, constituting a legal quorum to-wit:

Mayor Jim Hamilton; Aldermen: Betty Kisner; Tim Bridges; Jimmie Willingham; Courtney Covington; and Clerk Richard Williams. Alderman Ellen Meacham was absent.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hamilton, and the following business was had and done to-wit:

<u>Adopt Agenda:</u> Alderman Kisner moved to adopt the meeting agenda; the motion was duly seconded by Alderman Covington and passed unanimously.

<u>Approve Prior Meeting Minutes:</u> Alderman Willingham moved that the minutes for the April 7, 2015, meeting be approved; the motion was seconded by Alderman Bridges, and passed unanimously.

<u>Approve Current Claims Docket:</u> Alderman Bridges moved to approve the Docket of Claims dated May 5, 2015; the motion was duly seconded by Alderman Covington and passed unanimously.

#### **Town Clerk's Report:**

<u>Lafayette County Road Report:</u> Clerk Williams reported that a report was received from Lafayette County, stating that the county had: Mowed grass on Old Taylor Road, Cut Off Road and Old River Road; fixed drive on Old Taylor Road; and cleaned mud slide on Old Taylor Road.

Planning Commission Report:

Taylor Planning Commission Report to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen May 5, 2015

Clerk Williams reported that a quarterly Planning Commission meeting was held April 28, 2015.

Administrator Barber was unable to attend.

Assistant Administrator Williams reported that Commissioner Wills had been appointed to another term and that Mayor Hamilton will recommend Jarod Spears as a new commissioner at the next Board of Aldermen meeting. Commissioner Wills requested that an election of commission officers been placed on the next meeting agenda. Assistant Administrator Williams said there had been 1 building permit issued for a house 407 Mosaic Drive. He also reported that the National Flood Insurance Community rating had been received showing the town's score of 255 points out of 500 points needed for a rating of 9. The final amended plat for Plein Air Phase I and the final plat for Plein Air Phase III were presented and approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Williams, Assistant Administrator

**Taylor Planning Commission** 

Old Business: Mayor Hamilton reported the final amended plat for Plein Air Phase I and the final plat for Plein Air Phase III were ready for a vote by the Board of Aldermen. The Planning Commission approved both plats on April 28, 2015. The Mayor stated that no building permits should be issued for Phase III and future phases until the agreements made by the applicant were completed. Alderman Covington moved that the final amended plat for Plein Air Phase I and the final plat for Plein Air Phase III be approved and signed subject to the three conditions: completion of construction entrance connection the west end of Easel Street with Main Street; completion and filing of Phase III covenants with the Lafayette County Chancery office and the Town of Taylor; completion of a sidewalk along the east side of Mosaic Drive. Alderman Bridges seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

<u>New Business:</u> Mayor Hamilton reported that he had talked to Jarod Spears about serving as a planning Commissioner, that Mr. Spears had agreed to serve and Mayor Hamilton recommended him. Alderman Willingham moved that the Board of Aldermen appoint Jarod Spears as planning commissioner. Alderman Covington seconded the motion which then carried unanimously.

Mayor Hamilton presented the following quotes for annual mowing services:

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Alderman Kisner moved to approve Marc Bryan's quote of \$325 per cutting as the lowest and best bid. Aldeman Covington seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

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Mayor's Report: Mayor Hamilton said he had been doing additional research on the statutory requirements for the judge of the Municipal Court. Although there is a statement that says all municipalities in Mississippi shall have a Municipal Court, elsewhere is says municipalities having a population of less than ten thousand need not appoint a judge. Statutes do require a Municipal Judge to be a licensed attorney residing within the County of the municipality but a Justice Court Judge can be a Municipal Judge, and Justice Court Judges are not required to be attorneys. If Taylor can use a Justice Court Judge as its Municipal Judge, the current incumbents, Mickey Avent, Johnny Wayne McLarty, and Francis Gordon, would be candidates. The upcoming primary election will change that list, so no action will be taken to approach a prospective judge until then.

### Public Comment: None

There being no further business	, the meeting was adjourned	until the next meeting.	scheduled for	Tuesday, J	une
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Jim Hamilton, Mayor

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Richard Williams, Clerk